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Sir:

In response to the Office Action, paper No. 20, dated Sept. 2,1998, please enter the following amendment with respect thereto:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

400 6.(Amended) A secure identification method, the method comprising the steps of : capturing a first graphical representation of a subject, the representation being at least one physical trait selected from the group consisting of a fingerprint, eye scan, hair, weight, birthmark or race at a first data terminal;

transferring the first graphical representation of the subject to a centralized computer located remotely from the first data terminal;

receiving the first graphical representation of the subject at the centralized computer, and compressing and storing information representative of the subject in a relational database according to a standard compression format at the location of the centralized computer;